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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Nagarajan KUPPUSWAMY et al.

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For: AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AMINO METHYL CYCLO  
ALKANE ACETIC ACIDS

**POWER OF ATTORNEY AND REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS**

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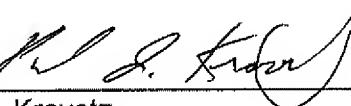
Sir:

Attached are a *Power of Attorney by Assignee of Entire Interest and Revocation of Prior Powers* and a *Statement and Certification Under 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b)* for the above-identified U.S. patent application. It is respectfully requested that the Power of Attorney and Revocation of Prior Powers be entered effective immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: HIKAL, INC.Application No./Patent No.: 10/535,253 Filed/Issue Date: February 9, 2006Entitled: AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AMINO METHYL CYCLO ALKANE ACETIC ACIDSHIKAL LTD., a corporation(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

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Sir:

As Assignee of record of the entire right, title, and interest, the undersigned corporation (HIKAL, LTD. having a place of business at #32/1 Kalena Agraharabanner Ghatta Road, Bangalore, Karnataka 560076, INDIA) hereby revokes all previous powers of attorney and appoints the attorneys and/or agents of Staas & Halsey LLP, under USPTO customer No. 21171, to prosecute and transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for the following listed patent applications:

DOCKET NO.	SERIAL NO.	FILING DATE	INVENTOR(S)	TITLE
2070.1001	10/535,253	02/09/2006	KUPPUSWAMY et al	AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AMINO METHYL CYCLO ALKANE ACETIC ACIDS
2070.1002	10/535,278	02/15/2006	KUPPUSWAMY et al	AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF GABALACTAM

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**ASSIGNEE CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned Assignee further states that the registered attorneys and/or agents, identified in the new power of attorney above, are empowered and authorized to sign the statement(s) and certification(s) under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) on behalf of the assignee. Attached to this power is/are "CERTIFICATE(S) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)".

HIKAL LTD. (Assignee)

Dated 10 - 22 - 2007  
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